## 110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

## H. CON. RES. 295

Expressing the deepest appreciation of Congress to the families of members of the United States Armed Forces.

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Bilirakis submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

## **CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

Expressing the deepest appreciation of Congress to the families of members of the United States Armed Forces.

- Whereas more than 2,000,000 Americans are demonstrating their devotion to the United States and freedom by serving in the United States Armed Forces;
- Whereas there are a multitude of family members, including mothers, fathers, siblings, spouses, and children, supporting each member of the Armed Forces;
- Whereas, even in peacetime, the family of a member of the Armed Forces makes concessions given the inherent dangers of military service and the frequent relocations resulting in disruption of everyday routine;
- Whereas, during wartime, family members endure increased sacrifices, forgo time with their loved one, and face in-

creased worry and uncertainty when their loved one serves extended tours overseas or engages in enhanced training activities;

- Whereas an increasing number of family members have taken on volunteer responsibilities in organizations associated with the Armed Forces;
- Whereas the family of a member of the Armed Forces wounded in action willingly accepts the additional role of caregiver, even when it requires postponement of personal goals;
- Whereas the families of members of the Armed Forces serve as a pillar of strength and encouragement for those serving the interests of the United States at home and abroad; and
- Whereas the families of members of the Armed Forces play a critical role in providing emotional support and readjustment assistance as members transition from military life to civilian life: Now, therefore, be it
  - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
  - 2 concurring), That Congress expresses its deepest apprecia-
  - 3 tion to the families, both immediate and extended, of
  - 4 members of the United States Armed Forces for the un-
  - 5 wavering support, both physical and emotional, that family
  - 6 members give their loved ones while they answer the call
  - 7 to serve their country and keep the United States safe.